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SUBJECT: VEHICLE FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL PROGRAM

REFERENCE: ASUNCION 2907

FROM S/NM

1. WE RECOMMEND THAT POST RETAIN LANGUAGE SECTION IV, A.3 OF PROJECT AGREEMENT. BASIS FOR THIS RECOMMENDATION IS THAT INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL FUNDS MAY BE USED FOR ASSISTANCE TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND NOT TO SUPPLEMENT NORMAL OVERHEAD OR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF OTHER U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS CONTROL. UNDER CURRENT OMB GUIDELINES RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCING TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION COSTS OF DEA OFFICIALS WHETHER THIS BE THROUGH PROVISION OF VEHICLES BY DEA OR REIMBURSEMENT OF SPECIAL AGENTS FOR ACTUAL TRAVEL INCURRED RESTS WITH DEA.

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2. WHILE AID PRACTICE MAY BE TO PERMIT AID ADVISORS TO USE

VEHICLES FINANCED WITH PROGRAM FUNDS DURING LIFE OF PROJECT
WE RELUCTANT FOLLOW THIS FORMULA WITH NARCOTICS FUNDS
BECAUSE OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENT THAT THEY BE USED FOR
ASSISTANCE TO OTHER COUNTRIES AND OMB GUIDELINES CITED
ABOVE.

3. THE OBJECTIVE OF PROVIDING VEHICLE ASSISTANCE TO NNA
PROGRAM IS TO ENHANCE ITS ABILITY TO MOUNT ITS OWN
NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS. IF VEHICLE IS NOT USED
TO DEVELOP NNA NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT CAPABILITIES, WE
WOULD EXPECT MISSION TO TAKE VIGOROUS ACTION TO INSURE
PARAGUAYAN COMPLIANCE WITH TERMS OF PROJECT AGREEMENT.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF POST CONCURS SO WE MAY FINALIZE
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